

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 5

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

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Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested

GULF & WESTERN CORP.
C/O THOMPSON, HINE & FLORY
1100 NATIONAL CITY BANK BLDG
CLEVELAND, OH 44114
MICHAEL CYPHERT

Re: Fields Brook Site
Ashtabula County, Ohio

Dear Sir or Madam:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA, or "the Agency") has documented the release or threatened release of hazardous substances, pollutants and contaminants at Fields Brook, Ashtabula County, Ohio hereinafter referred to as "the Site".

The U.S. EPA has conducted the following studies at the Site:

- a. A Remedial Investigation, completed in 1985, to determine the nature and extent of surface water and sediment contamination at the site; and
- b. A Feasibility Study, Sediment Operable Unit, to identify the most environmentally sound and cost-effective remedy for correcting the hazard presented by the sediment.

The U.S. EPA is presently negotiating with three potentially responsible parties (PRPs), Occidental Chemical Corporation, formerly Diamond Shamrock Chemicals Company, Gulf and Western Inc., and RMI Company, to reach a settlement involving the Sediment Operable Unit for the following work:

- 1. PRP conduct of all Remedial Design (RD) and supporting work (estimated at \$4.5 million) described in U.S. EPA's September 30, 1986 Record of Decision (ROD) for the Fields Brook site;
- 2. PRP conduct of the Source Control Remedial Investigation/
 Feasibility Study (RI/FS) to address sources and potential sources
 of contamination in the brook (estimated at \$1 million) and funding
 of oversight as required by Section 104(a) of the Superfund
 Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA); and

3. PRP conduct of the selected Remedial Action (RA) for the operable unit (estimated at \$48.5 million) as described in the Fields Brook ROD.

You have previously been placed on notice for potential liability by U.S. EPA for conditions at the site. The purpose of this letter is to inform all parties (see enclosed list) that the date of February 15, 1989 has been established after which, if a settlement for the above work has not been reached, negotiations will be terminated. At that time, should negotiations be unsuccessful the U.S. EPA will proceed to perform the RD/RA for the Sediment Operable Unit and Source Control RI/FS utilizing public funds available to the Agency, or take enforcement actions to compel the PRPs to undertake the work.

Under Section 106(a) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), potentially responsible parties may be ordered to implement relief actions deemed necessary by U.S. EPA to protect the public health, welfare or the environment from an imminent and substantial endangerment because of an actual or threatened release of a hazardous substance from a facility.

PRPs are encouraged to join the three-member PRP group, and commit to do items 1, 2, and 3 above, either singly or as a group. Further information regarding the negotiating group can be obtained from Kenneth Moore of Squire, Sanders and Dempsey (Counsel for Occidental Chemicals Corp) at (216) 687-8500, or Joe T. Holman of RMI Company at (216) 544-7688.

If you need further information, you may also contact Allen Wojtas of the U.S. EPA Remedial and Enforcement Response Branch at (312) 886-6941, or if you have any legal questions, you may contact Michael Berman, Assistant Regional Counsel, at (312) 886-6837.

Sincerely,

201 Mary Gade

Associate Division Director

Office of Superfund

Enclosure

cc: Dave Mentzer, OEPA-CO
Steve Tuckerman, OEPA-NEDO
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Occidental Chemicals Corp.
Gulf and Western Inc.
RMI Company
Steve Willey, DOJ

PRPBASE FIELDS BROOK SITE (Mailing Address Report #2)

LIST OF INDIVIDUALS SENT NOTICE OR INFORMATION REQUEST LETTERS ADDRESSES

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- 2. ARCHER DANIELS MIDLAND RL ERICKSON PO BOX 1470 DECATUR, IL 62525
- 3. B BLANCHARD
- 4. BRENKAS EXCAVATING (BEE-JAY CONSTRUCTION C/O GEORGE LIVIOLA JR ESQ. 1610 E. PROSPECT ROAD ASHTABULA, OH 44004
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- 7. CEIO CORPORATION PO BOX 5000 EOSTON, MA 02110
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- 25. MALLORY SHARON
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 JOE HOLMAN
- 26. NATIONAL CARBIDE CORP
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- 33. RMI COMPANY
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